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Update from Amb Shapiro

Ambassador Shapiro called - TV reporting 1 dead, although Embassy has unconfirmed reports that up to 6 are dead. Reports that 16 are in hospital including Enrique Mendoza, Governor of Miranda state, but it appears he is hospitalized for breathing in tear gas.

GOV has apparently taken over the TV stations. Globovision is still broadcasting via satellite, but is not available on local TV (only those with satellite dishes will be able to view it)

Ambassador has instructed Embassy officers on the street to leave areas with large groups of demonstrators.

Additionally, Amb Shapiro is leaving the Embassy at 5:30 for a 6pm meeting at his residence. He can be reached there or on his cell phone.